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SUBJECT: MBFR: FURTHER GUIDANCE ON STABILIZING MEASURES

REFS: A. NATO 243; B. NATO 395; C. STATE 15499

1. FOLLOWING IS GUIDANCE ON POINTS RAISED IN REF B, KEYED
TO PARAS IN REF A.

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2. PARA 2. IN GENERAL WE WISH TO AVOID SUCH NATIONAL

RESERVATIONS AS THE UK FOOTNOTE; AND IN ANY CASE WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND ITS SUBSTANTIVE BASIS.

3. PARA 3. WE AGREE WITH THE DUTCH SUGGESTION, AND FAVOR IMPLEMENTING IT BY ADDING A FOOTNOTE TO PRESENT TEXT, WITHOUT CHANGE.

4. PARA 13. THE SHAPE REP POINT (PARA 5, REF B) CAN BE ACCOMODATED BY ADDING "SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARA 16" AS THE OPENING WORDS OF THE THIRD SENTENCE OF PARA 13, OUR PROPOSED REVISION OF WHICH NOW BEGINS "THE EXERCISE WOULD BE CONSIDERED". RE DEFINITION OF MAJOR EXERCISES, CHANGE WORDING OF REF C PARA 6 TO "OF A US OR SOVIET DIVISION FORCE OR MORE THAN 10,000 US OR SOVIET PERSONNEL". ALSO YOU MAY SUBSTITUTE "ITS AGGREGATE GROUND FORCE ELEMENTS" FOR "THE AGGREGATE GROUND FORCE ELEMENTS" IN PARA 15A IN REF A. RE "FOR FIELD TRAINING", AS WE NOTED IN PARA 4 OF REF C, MEASURES 2 AND 3 ARE INTENDED TO IMPOSE LIMITS ON ALL SOVIET DEPLOYMENTS OUTSIDE THEIR PERMANENT GARRISONS OR TRAINING AREAS (SUBJECT TO THE EXCEPTIONS OF PARA 13(1), (2), AND (3) NOT JUST TO LIMIT SOVIET TRAINING PER SE. WE FAVOR THIS APPROACH SINCE IT AVOIDS PROVIDING THE SOVIETS A MAJOR LOOPHOLE THAT WOULD VITIATE THE PURPOSE OF STABILIZING MEASURES AND SINCE IT WOULD IN PARTICULAR LIMIT SOVIET ABILITY TO USE MILITARY MOVES FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES, WHILE THE COORESPONDING LIMITS ON US DEPLOYMENTS ARE ACCEPTABLE, GIVEN THE FACTORS IN PARA 3.

5. PARA 13(1) CHANGE OUR PROPOSED REVISION OF PARA 13(1) (PARA 6C, REF C) TO READ: "US AND SOVIET PERSONNEL ONLY PROVIDING DIRECT AIR, RAIL, AND ROAD TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTIC SUPPORT BETWEEN ...".

6. PARA 13(3). SHAPE FOOTNOTE O 13(3) IS ACCEPTABLE. WE ASSUME THIS REPLACES CURRENT SHAPE FOOTNOTE.

7. PARA 15(C). THE SUGGESTED DELETION IS APPROPRIATE BECAUSE THE PROPOSED US REVISION TO PARA 13 EXCLUDES SECRET

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ACTIVITY WITHIN DEFINED GROUND TRAINING AREAS FROM THE DEFINITION OF MAJOR EXERCISES. "SUCH EXERCISES" IN PARA 15(C) THEREFORE ARE OUTSIDE DEFINED GROUND TRAINING AREAS BY DEFINITION, AND A SEPARATE REFERENCE TO TRAINING AREAS IS REDUNDANT. KISSINGER

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